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Subject: Parking tax

Dear Spokane Council Members,

Please consider **carefully** the decision you make regarding a parking tax. You will elect, should you move forward, to impact a business community delivering your most consistent tax revenue. This accomplishment is not achieved lightly in this difficult economic period. Those of us investing in Downtown Spokane have enthusiastically encouraged our customers parking meters and paid parking, in general, are well worth the diverse mix in retail, restaurant, professional services, history and the arts available here. **Increasing this burden** with a parking tax, in a fragile market, seems unwise at at best, adversely affecting not only first tier customer dollars but those in the wings considering making financial commitments.

Please LOOK FORWARD.....

Sincerely,

Michael and Susan Carmody

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